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microporous membrane under the influence of a chemoattractant, recombinant or cell-derived. Here the diameter of the micropores are less than the diameter of the cells under investigation, such that the cells must deform themselves in order to squeeze through the pores thereby constructing an analogy to the transendothelial migration of cells in physiological circumstances. Once the cells are deposited onto the membrane, the chamber can be incubated for intervals over time at a suitable temperature, usually 37°. Following this, the bottom chamber or opposite side of the top chamber may be analysed for cells that have squeezed through the microporous membrane.

REMARKS

Paragraph 1 on page 3 of the specification has been amended to correct US Specification No. 5,578,192 to 4,478,492. A copy of the marked up version of this paragraph 1 on page 3 is attached.

Entry of the above amendments is earnestly solicited. An early and favorable first action on the merits is earnestly solicited.

Should there be any outstanding matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact Joseph A. Kolasch (Reg. 22,463) at the telephone number of the undersigned below.